CALL FOR BIDS
CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS
MINNESOTA

PURCHASING DEPARTMENT 330 Second Avenue South - Suite 552 Minneapolis, MN 55401

AN AFFIRMATIVE ACTION EMPLOYER

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Minneapolis Convention Center

For information call (612) 673-2197 Cheryl Groettum

"BIDS FOR WIRELESS MICROPHONES"

To furnish and deliver Sennheiser wireless microphones to the City of Minneapolis Convention Center; all in accordance with attached specifications and bid form.

The Successful bidder shall be subject to a pre-award compliance review from the Department of Civil Rights in accordance with Chapters 139.50 and 423 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances. That includes approval of affirmative action plans, subcontracting efforts and, on construction contracts, a written plan to meet employment participation of 11% for both skilled and unskilled minority trade workers and 6% female. Monthly compliance reports are required to be filed electronically. Filling information can be obtained on the web at www.minneapolis.diversitycompliance.com. Questions on compliance can be directed to the Department of Civil Rights at (612) 673-3012.

The City of Minneapolis hereby notifies all bidders that in regard to any invitations to bid, advertisements, solicitations, or contracts to be entered into pursuant to this Plan, businesses owned and controlled by minorities or women will be afforded maximum feasible opportunity to submit bids and/or proposals in response and will not be subjected to discrimination on the basis of race, color, sex, age, religion, ancestry, affectional preference, disability, public assistance status, marital status or national origin.

Prospective bidders' attention is called to Minnesota Statues 13.591 Business Data. This section states in part:

Data submitted by a business to a government entity in response to a request for bids as defined in Section 16C.02, Subdivision 11, are private or non-public until the bids are opened. Once the bids are opened, the name of the bidder and the dollar amount specified in the response are read and become public. All other data in a bidder's response to a bid are private or non-public data until completion of the selection process. For the purposes of this section, "completion of the selection process" means that the government entity has completed its evaluation and has ranked the responses. After a government entity has completed the selection process, all remaining data submitted by all bidders are public with the exception of trade secret data as defined and classified in Section 13.37. A statement by a bidder that submitted data are copyrighted or otherwise protected does not prevent public access to the data contained in the bid.

Bidders are hereby advised that their bid document may become available to the public once a successful bidder has been chosen.

The City of Minneapolis has adopted an Environmental Purchasing Policy (EPP) that is incorporated into all bids. A copy of the policy can be found at this link:

http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/council/2008-meetings/20081010/docs/EPP-RCA.pdf

Prompt Payment: Per Minnesota Statutes 471.425 contractors shall pay all certified small subcontractors for undisputed work completed, within ten (10) days after the City of Minneapolis has paid the contractor for the completed work.

Chapter 471.895 of the Minnesota Statutes prohibits gifts from interested persons to local officials. Local Officials includes any individuals who purchase or advise or recommend on the purchase of goods and/or services.

Conflict of Interest/Code of Ethics: Contractor agrees to be bound by the City's Code of Ethics, Minneapolis Code of Ordinances, Chapter 15. Contractor certifies that to the best of its knowledge, all City employees and officers participating in this Agreement have also complied with that Ordinance. It is agreed by the Parties that any violation of the Code of Ethics constitutes grounds for the City to void this Agreement. All guestions relative to this section shall be referred to the City and shall be promptly answered.

All successful bidder(s) will be required to comply fully with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA).

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Sealed bids will be received and time stamped by receptionist until **10 AM, CDST, September 22, 2009** at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud. **Do not fax** sealed bids to Purchasing.

NO BID DEPOSIT REQUIRED

Envelopes must bear the name of the firm submitting the bid and be addressed as follows:

City of Minneapolis Purchasing Department
Offl. Publ. #7189 - BIDS FOR WIRELESS MICROPHONES
Bids opened 10 AM, CDST, September 22, 2009
330 Second Avenue South - Suite 552
Minneapolis, MN 55401

The City of Minneapolis reserves the right to waive informalities in bids, to accept or reject any or all bids or any part of any bid. Bids must be typewritten, or printed in ink, and signed in ink in handwriting.

TWO complete bid form responses, including attachments, are to be returned, one of which must be an original.

BIDS CONTAINING ANY ALTERATION OR ERASURE WILL BE REJECTED UNLESS ALTERATION OR ERASURE IS CROSSED OUT AND CORRECTION PRINTED IN INK OR TYPEWRITTEN AND INITIALED IN INK BESIDE CORRECTION BY THE PERSON SIGNING THE BID.